REMARKS

A.   Background

Claims 1-22 were pending in the application at the time of the Office Action. The Office Action rejected claims 19-22 on formal grounds. Claims 19-22 were also rejected as being anticipated over cited prior art. By this response applicant has amended claims 19 and 21 and added new claim 23. As such, claims 1-23 are presented for the Examiner's consideration in light of the following remarks.

B.   Consideration of Information Disclosure Statement

In the present application, applicant filed a first Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on July 11, 2001. A Supplemental IDS was filed October 15, 2001. In the present Office Action the Examiner acknowledge receipt and consideration of the Supplemental IDS. However, no reference has made to consideration or receipt of the first IDS. To that end, enclosed as Exhibit A is a complete copy of the previously filed first IDS with references. Also enclosed is a copy of the returned postcard referencing submission of the first IDS and which was stamped received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 16, 2001.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits that the first IDS was timely filed and applicant hereby requests that the Examiner consider the references cited therein. As such, applicant requests that the Examiner initial a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 and return a copy to the applicant.

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C.   Proposed Claim Amendments

By this response applicant has amended claims 19 and 21 and added new claim 23. The

claim amendments and new claim are supported by the disclose as pages 13-15 of the application as

originally filed. As such, applicant submits that the amendments to the claims do not introduce new

matter and entry thereof is respectfully requested.

D.   Rejection on the Merits

Paragraph 1 of the Office Action states that a certified copy of foreign applications to which

the current application claims foreign priority was not filed. Specifically, the Office Action states

that certified copies of foreign applications Sweden 0002434-9 06/28/2000 and Sweden 0001455-5

04/19/2000 were not filed. To comply with 35 U.S.C. 119(b), certified copies of these foreign

applications are enclosed.

Paragraph 2 of the Office Action objects to claims 19-22 because of various informalities.

Applicant has amended independent claims 19 and 21 to remedy the objections.

Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Office Action reject claims 19-22 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as

being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application No. 10/298,314 (Publication No. 2003/0095642) to

Cloutier et al. The Office Action asserts that the messaging system server 120 of the Coultier

application corresponds to the claimed "mobile communication station" and performs the method

steps as claimed in claims 19-22. Based on claims as presented herein, applicant respectfully

traverses this rejection.

The Cloutier et al. application discloses a method and system for enhanced messaging

services incorporating the capability of alerting a message service subscriber to the receipt of high

priority messages according to a defined set of filter criteria. As best depicted in Figure 1, the

Cloutier system includes a messaging system server 120, which communicates with a remote e-mail server 110 via the internet 130 to retrieve emails from the server. As shown in Figure 2, the messaging system server 120 polls the remote e-mail server 110 for new emails. When a new email is detected on the remote e-mail server 110, the messaging system server 120 determines if the new email is of high priority based on filter criteria that have been previously set up. If the messaging system server 120 determines that the email is high-priority, the messaging system server 120 transmits a code to wireless device 170. The operator then decides whether or not to retrieve the email through messaging system server 120.

In part, claim 19 recites "extracting at the mobile communication station the job identifier from the received message." The Office Action states that the Cloutier application discloses "extracting a job identifier (header) from the received message (paragraph 0026 lines 7-15 and paragraph 0032 lines 1-9)." With reference to Figure 2, paragraph [0026] of the Cloutier application discloses the process by which message system server 120 generating a unique message code when an email is received on e-mail server 110:

> In step 210, messaging system server 120 polls e-mail server 110 for new messages using the POP3 protocol. According to one embodiment, messaging system server is programmed to poll e-mail server 110 on a periodic basis, for example every 15 minutes for the receipt of new messages. If no new messages are detected, the procedure ends ('no' branch of step 220). If a new message has been received ('yes' branchy of step 220), a sufficient portion of the message is retrieved to generate a unique message code using a defined hashing function and to apply the filter criteria (step 235) selected by the message recipient. For example, according to one embodiment, if messaging system server 120 detects that a new message has been received at remote message server 110, it issues the appropriate POP3 commands only to retrieve the "Date" and "From" fields of that message.

Page 3, paragraph [0026]

Based on the above disclosure at paragraph [0026], lines 7-15 of the Coultier application, the unique message code is generated by message system server 120 retrieving a portion of the message that is **stored on e-mail server 110**. The Coultier application, however, does not disclose or suggest that the message system server 120 extracts a job identifier from a message that is already **received on message system server 120**. As such, the referenced section of the Coultier application does not disclose or suggest "receiving a message at the mobile communication station" and "extracting at the mobile communication station the job identifier from the received message," as recited in claim 19.

The referenced paragraph [0032] of the Coultier application relates to the mechanism for the retrieval of a particular message. With reference to Figure 5, the Coultier application states:

> In step 510, a code signature is received at messaging system server 120 from a subscriber, e.g., via IVR 145 and user interface 140. In step 520 the received signature code is stored in a memory 126. In step 530, messaging system server retrieves a message header of any unread e-mail messages residing on remote e-mail server 110.

Page 4, paragraph [0032]

As set forth above, paragraph [0032], lines 1-9 of the Coultier application discloses messaging system server 120 storing a received signature code in memory and retrieving a message header of any unread e-mail message **"residing on remote server 110."** The Coultier application, however, again does not disclose or suggest extracting a job identifier from a message that is already **received on message system server 120**. As such, this referenced section of the Coultier application also does not disclose or suggest "receiving a message at the mobile communication station" and "extracting at the mobile communication station the job identifier from the received message," as recited in claim 19.

Furthermore, because messaging system server 120 transfers the message code to wireless device 170, applicant submits that the Coultier application does not disclose or suggest "conveying **at the mobile communication station** the extracted job identifier to a user of the mobile communication station," as recited in claim 19.

For the forgoing reasons, applicant respectfully submits that claim 19 is not anticipated by the Coultier application as asserted in the Office Action.

Claim 21 was rejected in the Office Action for substantially the same reasons as discussed above with regard to claim 19. As such, applicant submits that claim 21 is not anticipated by the Coultier application for substantially the same reasons discussed above with regard to claim 19. Specifically, applicant submits that the Coultier application as asserted in the Office Action does not disclose or suggest the following as recited in claim 21:

> **a first component for receiving a message at the mobile communication station** via a message service provided by the digital radio communication network, the message being transmitted from the mail server site and comprising a unique job identifier corresponding to an e-mail stored at the mail server site **and for extracting at the mobile communication station the job identifier from the received message**.

Claims 20, 22, and 23 depend from claim 19 or 21 and thus incorporate the limitations thereof. As such, applicant submits that claims 20, 22, and 23 are distinguished over the cited art for at least the same reasons as discussed above with regard to claims 19 and 21.

Paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Office Action allowed claims 1-18. Thus, claims 1-18 are not discussed herein.

No other objections or rejections are set forth in the Office Action.

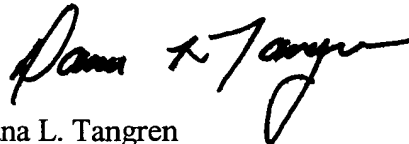14   Serial No. 09/834,222

E.   Conclusion

Applicant notes that this response does not discuss every reason why the claims of the present application are distinguished over the cited art. Most notably, applicant submits that many if not all of the dependent claims are independently distinguishable over the cited art. Applicant has merely submitted those arguments which it considers sufficient to clearly distinguish the claims over the cited art.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-23 as amended and presented herein.

In the event there remains any impediment to allowance of the claims which could be clarified in a telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate such an interview with the undersigned.

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